

ABSTRACT

A mounting fixture for connecting pipettes of various sizes to the air channel of a pipettor comprises a tubular nose having a proximate end secured to the pipettor and an open distal end. A resilient retainer lines the interior of the tubular nose. The retainer has an axial passageway communicating at its entry and exit openings respectively with the open distal end of the tubular nose and with the air channel of the pipettor. The passageway is tapered from a maximum diameter at its entry opening to a minimum diameter at its exit opening. The entry opening is sized to axially receive the largest of the pipettes and the sleeve is internally configured to resiliently grip differently sized pipettes inserted therein at different locations along the length thereof. A stabilizing member is provided at the open distal end of the tubular nose. The stabilizing member is configured to radially confine and support pipettes received in the axial passageway of the resilient retainer.